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MiTAPS Opens For Business

System Goes Live With Phase I

On June 30, 2004, Michigan successfully launched MiTAPS - the Michigan Timely Applications and Permit Service portal - a single stop portal for all state permits accessible around the clock. The MiTAPS website provides users with the tools necessary to:

- ✓ Determine what permits are needed
- ✓ Research permit requirements
- ✓ Complete and file applications on line
- ✓ Pay for permits on line, and
- ✓ Track the status of permits applications online.

MiTAPS is the first of its kind in

the United States that provides full accessibility to permitting. The system is built around a robust engine that provides the capability to address the needs of diverse businesses in Michigan - including manufacturers, builders, developers, retail and business owners who are seeking permits and business licenses in Michigan.

The MiTAPS committee started work in Nov. 2003 to better understand the challenge of providing a single stop permitting system in Michigan. In January, the committee started to collect data on the various permits, licenses, registrations, certifications, and other permitting types offered in the

state. The committee also looked at permitting systems in other states and learned what types of permitting systems were available.

The first release of MiTAPS included three permits currently required by the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ). They are:

- Construction Storm Water Notice of Intent
- Construction Storm Water Notice of Coverage
- No Exposure Certification

The next release - Phase 1.2, scheduled for Sept. 2004, will add another six permits to the MiTAPS

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Cadence Call

"We must walk consciously only part way toward our goal, and then leap in the dark to our success. ." —Henry David Thoreau



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MiTAPS On The Road

As MiTAPS is being developed, ideas and input are being gathered and plans are being presented to business community groups. On June 8, 2004 a presentation was given to the Public Policy Committee of the Grand Rapids Chamber of Commerce.

Project Director Henry Green gave an overview of the MiTAPS project, its proposed implementation, and anticipated goals.

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MiTAPS Partners With enfoTech

The success of MiTAPS in part can be attributed to the selection of enfoTech as the development partner for the project. In May 2004, the MiTAPS team contracted with enfoTech to provide the e-permitting system.

The Department of the Environmental Quality (DEQ) has worked with enfoTech for several years to implement the National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Information Management System. enfoTech's e-permitting system had many of the features

and functions needed by the MiTAPS project.

The company has been providing systems and consulting services to state water utilities, municipalities, and the pharmaceutical industry since 1994.

EnfoTech's work to develop new technologies, such as the e-permitting system being used to provide the MiTAPS solution, helps to continuously refine environmental compliance information management systems for industrial waste pretreatment, safe drinking water, and air emissions.

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The members welcomed the opportunity to review the presentation and posed questions concerning access, structural abilities, as well as the security of the data contained in the MiTAPS System.

"Members of the Grand Rapids Chamber of Commerce Public Policy Committee were supportive and excited about the possibilities presented by the MiTAPS System," said Green.

Requests for presentations may be made through the website or by calling 517/241-9302.

MiTAPS on TV

In August, MiTAPS will be featured on DLEG's cable television show, Consumer's Corner.

Appearing on the interview show with DLEG Director David Hollister are MiTAPS Director Henry Green and Project Manager Kim Gears. Green and Gears informed viewers about the advantages, the ease and convenience of using MiTAPS to apply for permits. They also gave a demonstration of the MiTAPS web site.

Look for the show on your local cable access station. For more information, visit www.michigan.gov/dleg.

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portal. They are:

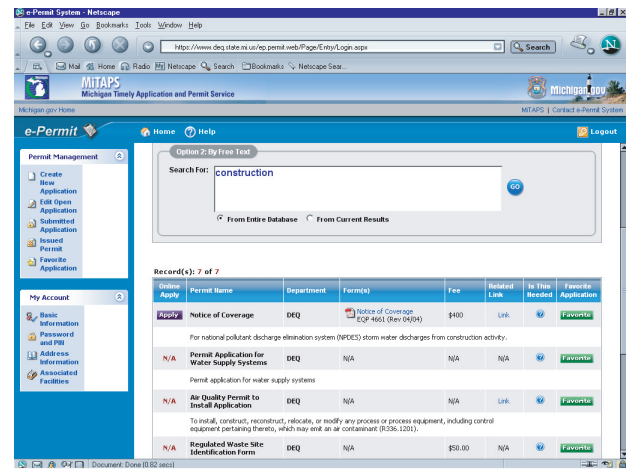
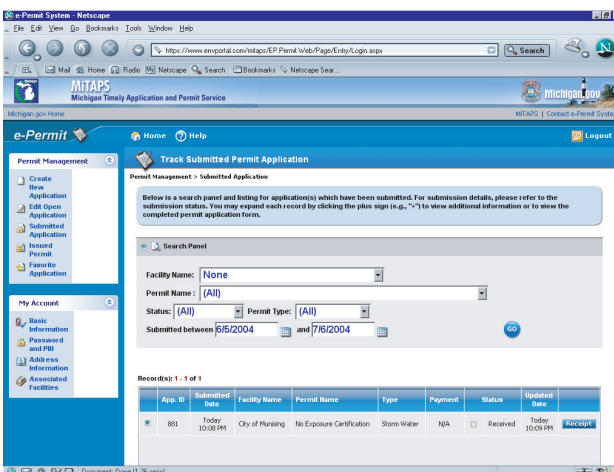
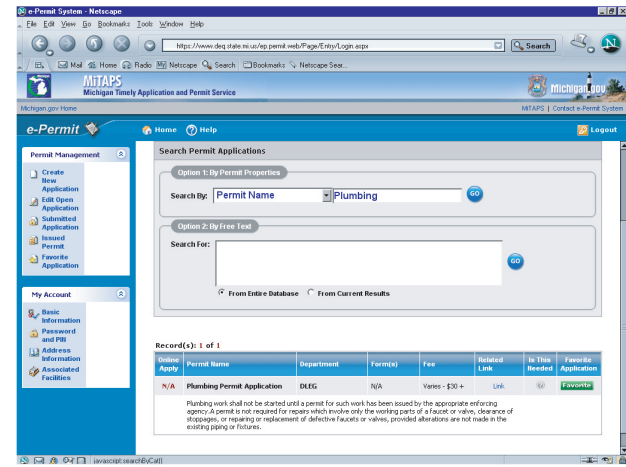
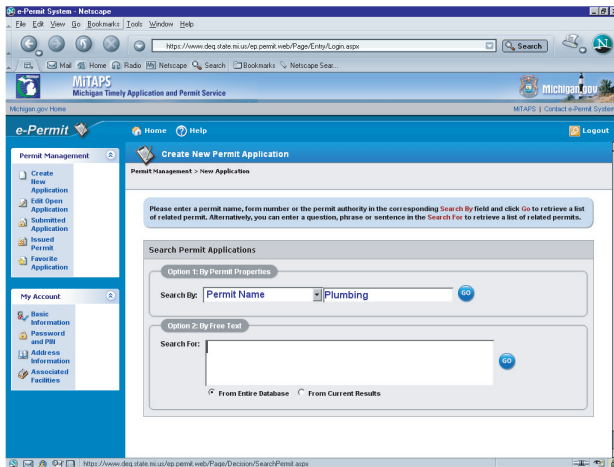
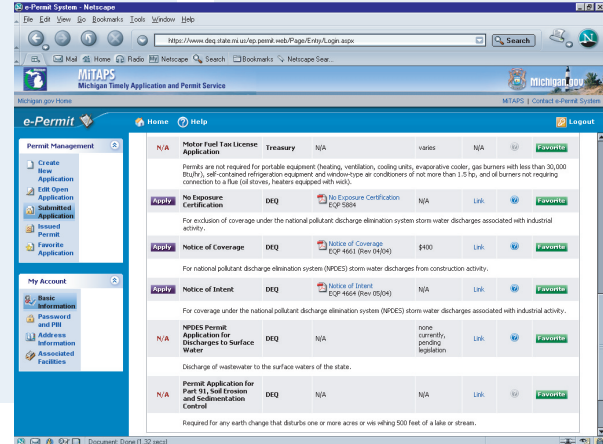
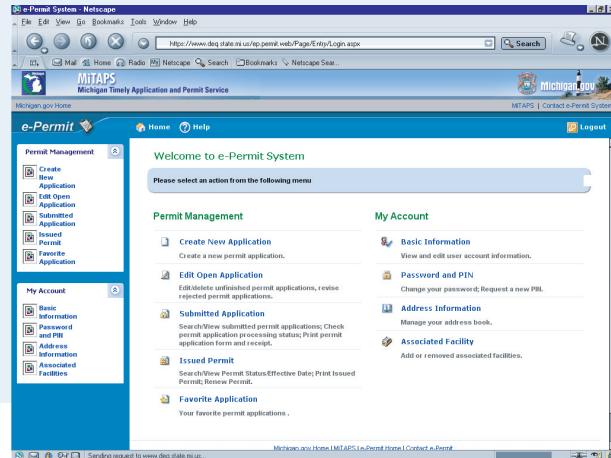
- Waste Handler Site Identification (DEQ)
- Plumbing Permit Application (DLEG)
- Electrical Permit Application (DLEG)
- Mechanical Permit Application (DLEG)
- Joint Application (DEQ)
- NPDES Individual Permits (DEQ)

Four more permits will be added in Phase 1.3 in Dec. 2004. They are:

- Air Permit to Install (DEQ)
- Permit Application for Water Supply System (DEQ)
- Public Waste Water Construction Permit (DEQ)
- Groundwater Discharge Permit (DEQ)

Once fully populated, more than 150 permits or business licenses will be available. Visit the MiTAPS website for more information at www.michigan.gov/mitaps.

User-Friendly Features Make MiTAPS Easy and Convenient



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